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## "MAGNETIC RESONANCE APPARATUS HAVING A GRADIENT COIL SYSTEM WITH STIFFENING ELEMENTS"

Case No. <b>P01,0599</b>	, the specification o	f which
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